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Commission for Women Hosts Discussions on Bullying, Women in the Workplace

(Bel Air, MD) - - The Harford County Commission for Women recently hosted two successful discussions as part of their Community Conversations series. "Stand UP and Be Counted: Schoolyard Bullying to Workplace Harassment" was the theme of the first event on September 25, 2013 at the Veronica "Roni" Chenoweth Activity Center in Fallston.

Several community leaders participated in the panel discussion including: Deputy First Class Lori Denbow, a member of the School Policing Unit of the Harford County Sheriff's Office, Amy Wagner, LCSW-C, Clinical director of Family and Children's Services in Harford County, Rod Bourn, coordinator of Professional Development at Harford Community College, and Bobby Audley, founder of Bobby Audley Speaking, a company that serves as a resource for leadership, communication, and teambuilding. A Harford County student and their parent discussed the effects of bullying on their family.

"Women for Women: Why Are We Our Own Worst Enemy" was the theme of the second Community Conversations sponsored by the Harford County Commission for Women on October 7, 2013 at the McFaul Activity Center in Bel Air. This discussion focused on the relationship between women in the workplace, relational aggression between women, and women working inside or outside the home.

The panel discussion included several community leaders including: Heather Couvillon, Director of Acquisition and Technical Support at the Camber Corporation; Katie Kinslow, Mrs. Bel Air, MD and stay-at-home mom; Judge Angela M. Eaves, Associate Judge of the Harford County Circuit Court; Nicole Funk, Senior Vice President of Booz Allen Hamilton; Suzanne Green, Executive Director of the Walter and Betty Ward Family Center of the Y of Central Maryland; Suzanne Milchling, Director of Program Integration at the U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

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Jonita D. Shoaff, a member of the Harford County Commission for Women and program coordinator of W.A.G.E. Connection at Harford Community College served as moderator for both forums, which were well-attended. Attendees participated through a question and answer period.

The Harford County Commission for Women is a panel of 15 volunteer members, representing the County's Council Districts. The group is appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council. All members serve a three year term and the chair is appointed by the County Executive. Ronnie Davis serves as Chairwoman for the Harford County Commission for Women.

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Left to right: Suzanne Milchling, Judge Angela Eaves and Nicole Funk



Left to Right: Amy Wagner, Bobby Audley, Rod Bourn and DFC Lori Denbow